

The Smiths

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Snow. Many in the eastern US are struggling under deep drifts of snow as the storms of winter change peoples' plans. Unfortunately, the beauty brings dangers as well with slippery roads and even avalanches. Did you know that the Bible mentions snow 24 times? It describes Miriam and Naaman being as leprous as snow. Proverbs 26:1 talks of the inopportune arrival of snow that damages crops, and Isaiah 55.10 speaks of the blessing of snow giving water to the earth. Isaiah 1:18b "though your sins be as scarlet, they shall be as white as snow". What a blessing to know forgiveness of sin is permanent not fleeting as the snow that melts.

Here in south Texas temperatures have been fluctuating in the 80's, then 70's then 90's and forecast for 101 on Thursday! It is only February!! Neighbors are getting ready to return to the northern parts of the US rejoicing that they will escape the heat of the Texas summer. The services on Sundays will reflect their travels back to Minnesota, Michigan and even Canada. We pray for safe travels for them, that they would be faithful to their churches up north over the summer and their safe return next fall.

Iglesia Bautista Libertad in Buenos Aires had a large turnout for family camp. They were once again able to rent the facilities of a camp and buses to transport the families the hour and a half. It is a blessing to see and hear the faithfulness and growth of those we hold dear. Alejandro continues his chemotherapy for the cancer in his sternum.

We were so blessed to have two couples from Liberty Baptist Church in Casper, Wyoming come down to see us. They worked for two days and re-shingled our roof and the shed roof. It was a great time of fellowship!!! They were able to work on the roof before the temperatures raised so much. We wish they could have stayed a bit longer.

We are asking prayer for some health concerns for Charlie. It seems he has a cyst on one of his kidneys that is larger than the kidney. Testing is scheduled to determine what kind of cyst and what further action is needed. His dialysis at home continues going well. He tires very easily but has been able to continue his studies to be able to preach on Sundays here in the "park" (our over 55 closed community).

One of the men that attends the church services had what doctors believe is an infection that started in the knuckle of one of his fingers. It ended up they amputated the finger to stop the spread. Prayer for George would be appreciated so that the infection does not return and take the rest of his hand.

God's blessings,
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